

“RRAFT ADVISORY COMMITTEE” MEETING 24 SUMMARY

Wednesday, January 28, 2009

6:00 – 9:00 PM

Missoula FWP Headquarters

3201 Spurgin Road

Missoula

- **Opening and Agenda Overview**

-Charlie Sperry ~ FWP Recreation Management Specialist

- Charlie recapped the discussion from the previous meeting and described the current agenda. Charlie then mentioned an e-mail dialogue between committee members that shared additional thoughts about the summary document provided during meeting 23. Based on the e-mails, FWP staff suggested that the committee take part in a thorough discussion of triggers for Reach 3.

- **Committee Discussion on Triggers for Reach 3 (Harry Morgan to Russell Gates)**

-The committee discussed thoughts and questions about establishing triggers for Reach 3. Some of the thoughts and questions included the following:

- What are the specific desired conditions for Reach 3?
- What data collection, if any, is needed for establishing triggers?
- Is reach 3 crowded?
- Could crowding be lessened through regulating launches?
- What is an acceptable number of launches?

-Charlie, moving through the process steps of identifying triggers, helped the committee to begin building trigger recommendations for Reach 3.

- Desired conditions – Each committee member shared their thoughts on the desired conditions that were created for Reach 3 during previous meetings. The committee agreed that the desired conditions in the summary document were accurate and they were ready to discuss indicators.
- Indicators – Charlie reviewed a potential indicator created in a small group effort that involved the number of launches at selected sites in Reach 3. Each committee member then provided comments on whether the indicator seemed appropriate and recommended alternative indicators. The list of indicators suggested by the end of the discussion included:
 - Number of launches in a given time period
 - Satisfaction with the overall experience
 - Number of encounters with others during a trip

-The committee began a brief discussion of the various indicators and their relationship to triggers and management actions, but did not develop a complete recommendation. The discussion will continue at the next meeting.

- ***Meeting Wrap-up***

-The meeting ended with the group agreeing on the desired conditions for reach three and discussing potential indicators. Charlie asked the committee to continue thinking about indicators, triggers and management actions in preparation for the next meeting.

- ***Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 PM***

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 11, 2009

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

FWP Region 2 Headquarters

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